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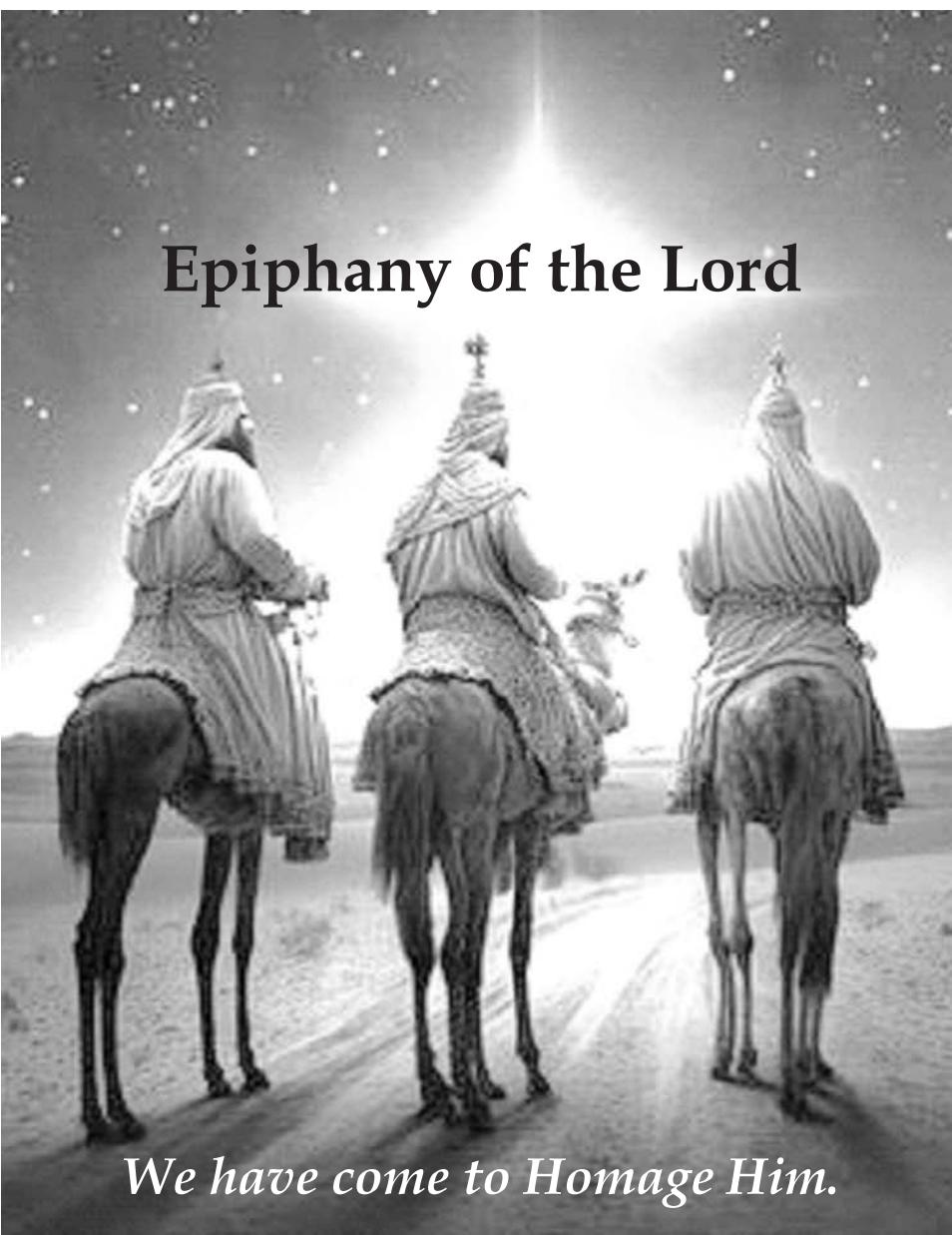
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Organist: Gerard Johnston





Epiphany of the Lord

Year A

January 4, 2026



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Week January 3 to January 10, 2026

Jan 03	Sat	9:00 AM	Intention of Jovito & Linda Estrada
		5:00 PM	† Deceased parents of James & Nanoo family
Jan 04	Sun	9:00 AM	† Thomas Banks
		11:00 AM	People of the Parish
		7:00 PM	† Franklin Pereira
Jan 05	Mon	9:00 AM	Intention of Fr. Oliver Iwuchukwu
Jan 06	Tue	9:00 AM	Intention of F. Fernandes
Jan 07	Wed	9:00 AM	† Cataliwa Miranda
Jan 08	Thu	9:00 AM	Intention of Mario & Maria Simao
Jan 09	Fri	9:00 AM	† Julia & Francis Rosario
			† David Stiles
			† Deceased members of the Mendes & D'Cruz family
			† Danilo Cruz
			† Angela Rodrigues
			† Domenico Cozzi
			Intention of Joseph Masanque
			Intention of Judith Dela Cruz
			† Jose Wilson Castillo Sr.
Jan 10	Sat	9:00 AM	† Anna Rosario
		5:00 PM	Intention of the D'Almeida Family

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Let us pray for the sick members of our parish, asking God to grant them healing, comfort, and peace. We also pray for those who love them and minister to them, that they may be strengthened with patience, compassion, and hope.



REFLECTION

The Epiphany reminds us that God reveals Himself in ways that invite attentiveness, wisdom, and faith. Like the Magi who followed the star, we are called to notice the signs of God's presence in creation, in our lives, and in our relationship with Him. While reason and science help us understand the world, God's revelations are not limited by them; they often speak to the heart, calling us beyond information toward transformation. The star that guided the wise men symbolizes how God meets us where we are, using what we can see and understand to draw us closer to Christ. Yet revelation is never meant to remain abstract—it should lead us to deeper faith, mercy, love, and action. The Epiphany challenges us to remain open to God's guidance, to discern His voice carefully, and to allow His light to change our direction, just as it changed the course of the Magi. As we celebrate the Epiphany, we give thanks for Christ who willingly entered our world to liberate us from sin and darkness. We pray for the grace to recognize God's revelations in our own lives and to respond with trust, humility, and a willingness to be transformed by His light.

Adapted from Living with Christ—December 2026—John O'Brian, Oakville, ON

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Phone Number: (416) 282-0370

Ministry	Contact	EXT
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE <i>General meetings: 2nd Mon of the month at 7 PM (the Hall)</i>	Raffaela Civello	251
FAITH ENRICHMENT <i>Meetings: every Thursday 9:30 AM –10:45 AM (Room 2)</i>	Bonnie Washer	252
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <i>General meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM (Room 2)</i>	Voicemail only	253
LEGION OF MARY <i>Meetings every Tues at 5:30 PM</i>	Debra Silveira	254
PRAYER GROUP <i>Meetings: every other Thurs 7:30 PM</i>	Patricia Furtado/ Jennifer Fernandes	255
REFUGEE OUTREACH <i>Meetings: every last Saturday of the month</i>	Carmela Gaudet	218
SENIORS 50+ CLUB <i>Companionship: every Wed, 12 PM –3:30 PM (the Hall)</i>	Joe Van Pinxteren	256
SOCIAL COMMITTEE	Sean Figueiredo	215
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY	Voicemail only	217
TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY	Isis Rebello	214
VISITATION MINISTRY	Dawne Williams	226
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The Good Shepherd Provide-a-Meal Program Needs You!

Thank you to all who have been participating in the Good Shepherd Provide-a-Meal Program! To anyone interested in joining—**welcome!** The casseroles we prepare help feed those in need at the **Good Shepherd Refuge** on Queen Street East in downtown Toronto. How the Program Works

- We provide you with a **casserole container and recipe**.
- Pick up your container and recipe from the **parish office during business hours**, along with the drop-off schedule.
- Prepare the same meal **once per month**—and keep some for your family, it's delicious!
- Drop off your casserole on the scheduled dates **between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. after the Saturday morning Mass at the west parking lot**. When you drop off, pick up an empty container for next time. That's it!

Want to Join or Have Questions?

Contact **Peter or Annie Alkins** at **(416) 283-7420**.

2026 Drop-Off Dates **Jan 3 | Feb 7 | Mar 7 | Mar 28 | May 2 | Jun 6 | Jul 4 | Aug 29 | Oct 3 | Nov 7 | Dec 5**

Lift Your Voice – Join Our Choir!

The 9 a.m. Choir is looking for altos, tenors, and basses! Our rehearsals are friendly, supportive, and full of laughter and sometimes cookies!



If you're interested or would like more information, please speak with Isis Rebello after the 9 a.m. Mass, contact the parish office, or call Isis at 416-528-4185.

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Fr. Francis invites you to join him for our parish pilgrimage to visit Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico from April 29 to May 6, 2026. We only need your deposit of \$300 by January 10, 2025. Praying that you can join us. Thank you.



2026 DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2026 donation envelopes are available in the Narthex for pick up. Please be patient and ensure you are picking up your own box.



Please help us return those boxes that are not yours to their original spots to save everyone's time.

We thank you for your generosity and for following and respecting this guideline.

Important Update on Parish Envelope Numbers

Due to rising costs and decreased envelope use, envelope numbers will be reassigned **effective in year 2027**. Beginning in 2027, envelope numbers will be reassigned annually to help us use resources wisely. Unused envelope boxes will be reassigned, and boxes will not be issued the following year if they are not used.

If you donate through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), please consider switching to a **boxless number**. Your donations will continue to be tracked by number, without the cost of envelope boxes. "2nd Collections only" envelopes can also be provided if needed.



TipTap is now up and running! This easy-to-use contactless donation system is available in the Narthex entrance doors, East entrance doors and West entrance doors. Your generosity helps support our parish and now giving is more convenient than ever. For more details please visit the parish website. Thank you for your continued support!

BEFORE YOU FIX YOUR WEDDING DATE

Thinking about doing your wedding in the Church? Great move! The way to go is to call the parish office and schedule an appointment with the priest **at least 12 months** before your desired wedding date. It is a requirement in the Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto. Hoping for the best for you as you process and make this important life-long decision.



Did you know that?

☞ Epiphany celebrates that Jesus is for everyone, not just the already holy, not just church people, not just insiders, not just one culture? (Matthew 2:1–2)

☞ The Magi remind us that searching for truth can lead anyone to Christ, even if the journey starts far away? (Matthew 2:10–11)

☞ Following Jesus may change our direction, just like the Magi who went home by a different road? (Matthew 2:12)

EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY 2025-2026

Registration for youth in Grade 6, 7, and 8 is still open! EDGE meets on the **2nd and 4th Fridays of each month**. Come discover the EPIC Universe!

For more information contact **Jeremy** at **JTanuan@archtoronto.org** or **(416)282-0370 Ext. 213**

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